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Docket No. 926500-920903

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RE THE APPLICATION OF)	Examiner: William H. Ma	ayo, III
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FOR: High Performance Data Cable)		
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

- [x] AUTHORIZATION TO PAY AND PETITION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF ANY NECESSARY FEES. If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following Communication (including but not limited to the payment of Issue Fees), they may be paid out of our deposit account 12-0913. If this payment also requires a Petition, please construe this authorization to pay as the necessary Petition which is required to accompany this payment.
- [x] Applicant hereby petitions for a **three-month** extension and entry of this Amendment which is sent within the third month after the due date of December 4, 2003. The payment of \$950.00 to cover the three-month extension is enclosed herewith.

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BARNES & THORNBURG P.O. BOX 2786 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60690-2786 (312) 357-1313 The present communication responds to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003. Prior to the present communication, claims 1 and 11-26 were pending. Claims 18, 21, and 24 were deemed to have allowable subject matter and deemed to be allowable if rewritten to stand in independent form. The remaining claims were rejected in view of the prior art.

The present communication cancels claims 1, 11-13, 15, 18-24, and 26. The present communication also amends claim 14. The amendments to the claims begin at page 3.

No amendments are made to the specification.

No amendments are made to the drawings.

The remarks begin at page 6.